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In re: Application of: Edward I. Knorr, Jr., et al.

Application No.: 10/776,766

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Examiner: Not yet assigned

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CONVERTING GONDOLA SHELF TO  
GRAVITY FEED SHELF

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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as far as is known to the undersigned (37 CFR 1.97(b)(3)).

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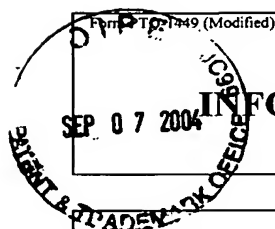
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